

FIREFIGHTER/OPERATOR

(Competitive Class)

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES

The class of Firefighter/Operator comprises entrance level positions in the classified fire fighting division of fire department operations. Employees of this class receive training for and after training perform tasks such as controlling and extinguishing fires, performing rescue work, and driving, operating, and maintaining fire department vehicles. Employees of this class are supervised by the fire chief and this class ranks directly below that of Fire Captain.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

(Examples listed below are illustrative only and are not intended to be inclusive or exclusive.)

Participates in assigned training drills either as an individual or as a member of a group. Attends special schools or courses assigned. Reads and studies assigned material related to performance of work.

Trains for and performs firefighting and rescue tasks such as connecting, carrying, and operating hose lines, ventilating buildings, and using ladders, lines, and other equipment to aid in fighting fires or removing fire and accident victims to safety.

Administers first aid to victims of fire and accident either on the scene of an emergency or en route to the hospital.

Cleans, dries, inspects, and properly secures any assigned fire fighting equipment such as hoses, hand tools, portable breathing apparatus, ladders, or related equipment. Cleans fire vehicles.

Performs tasks necessary for the proper maintenance of station and grounds such as cleaning floors and windows, emptying trash cans, mowing grass, or related duties.

Performs public relations duties such as calming excited citizens at a fire scene, providing information to the public concerning the work of the fire department, conducting station tours for individuals or civic groups, or related duties.

Serves as a witness to present evidence leading to indictment and conviction of violators of fire prevention laws and ordinances.

Instructs employees, civic groups, and school children in the use of fire prevention equipment, in fire prevention practices,

and the proper course of action to be followed in the event of fire.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Unless otherwise specified, all requirements must be met before admission to examination.

Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States, and of legal age, and passing a civil service examination for the position.

Must be not less than eighteen years of age.

Must have a high school diploma or a certificate of equivalency issued by a state department of education.

Must possess a valid driver's license.

After offer of employment, but before beginning work in this class, must pass a medical examination prepared and administered by the Appointing Authority, designed to demonstrate good health and physical fitness sufficient to perform the essential duties of the position, with or without accommodation.

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